Name of Projects	Progress upto 30.6.96
DOUBLINGS	
Ratlam Division	
1 Bolai-Akodia & Pirumrod-Bercha	Bolai-Akodia-Completed. Pirumrod-Bercha-Minor and major bridges, earthwork and track linking completed.
2 Kalapipal-Phanda	Work frozen.
3 Maksi-Bairagarh	Work which was earlier frozen, has been defrozen in 4 block sections.
Bilaspur Division	
4 Bilaspur-Aklatara Third line	Civil works completed. Work likely to be completed by 30.9.96.
5 Akaltara-Champa Third line	Contracts for earthwork and minor bridges awarded. Akaltara-Naila sub section is likely to be completed by 31.12.96.
Raipur Division	
6 Urkura-Sarona	Earthwork and bridges have been completed. Raipur-Urkura sub-section is likely to be completed by 31.12.96.

बिहार में विश्वविद्यालयों को मान्यता प्रदान करना

618. श्री नगेन्द्र नाथ ओझा: क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार में जयप्रकाश नारायण विश्वविद्यालय, छपरा, वीर कुंवर सिंह विश्वविद्यालय, आरा, भूपेन्द्र नारायण विश्वविद्यालय, मधेपुरा, सिंधु-कानु विश्वविद्यालय, दुमका और आचार्य विनोबा भावे विश्वविद्यालय, हजारीबाग जैसे नए विश्वविद्यालयों को विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग द्वारा मान्यता प्रदान नहीं की गई है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इन विश्वविद्यालयों को कब तक मान्यता दिए जाने की संभावना है?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय के शिक्षा विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुही राम सैकिया): (क) और (ख) विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग द्वारा भेजी गई सूचना के अनुसार प्रश्न में उल्लिखित पाँच विश्वविद्यालयों का गठन बिहार विधान मण्डल के अधिनियमों द्वारा किया गया है। इन्हें विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग अधिनियम की धारा 2(च) के अंतर्गत अनुरक्षित विश्वविद्यालयों की सूची में शामिल किया गया है और इसके द्वारा ये उपाधियां प्रदान करने के पात्र हैं। तथापि, इन विश्वविद्यालयों को विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग अधिनियम की धारा 12-ख के अंतर्गत निर्मित नियमों के अनुसार केन्द्रीय सहायता प्राप्त करने के योग्य घोषित नहीं किया गया है। निर्धारित शर्तों को पूरा करते ही उन्हें केन्द्रीय सहायता प्राप्त करने के योग्य घोषित कर दिया जाएगा।

Education for all by 2005

619. SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA: Will the Minister for HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the measures proposed to be taken to meet the target of Education for All by 2005?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): Several measures were proposed to be taken to meet the target of Education for All by 2005. Allocation to Education Sector would be enhanced from the present level of about 3.7% of GDP to 6% by the turn of the century. Primary Education and Adult Education which are principle components for Education for All would continue to be riority areas. Several Schemes and programmes to ealise the goal of Universalisation of Elementary Education and Adult Education through formal and non-formal education will be continued and strengthened. Innovative programmes such as District Primary Education Programme will also supplement the efforts to achieve Education for All.

Conversion of Mangalore-Hassan Line

620. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work regarding conversion of Mangalore-Hassan metre Gauge line into broad gauge line has been completed; and

(b) if not, the reasons for the delay and the time by which the work will be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) The work of Arasikere-Hassan-Mangalore has been taken up in phases. The first-phase between Arasikere andHassan,will be completed this month. The second phase work from Hassan to Mangalore

is targetted for completion by December, 97 and work is being progressed accordingly.

Allocation of funds to Maharashtra from Calamity Relief Fund

621. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the annual allocation to the State of Maharashtra from the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) during the last three years year-wise and the basis on which these allocations were made;

(b) whether these allocations were sufficient to provide adequate relief to the victims of natural calamities in the State during the said period; and

(c) if not, what steps Government have taken to enhance the allocations under CRF to the State of Maharashtra form 1996-97 onwards?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) to (c) The annual Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) allocation for Maharashtra during 1993-94 and 1994-95 was Rs. 44.00 crores each and the allocation for 1995-96 was Rs. 64.37 crores. The Ninth Finance Commission determined the CRF allocation for 1993-94 and 1994-95 taking into account the average of the aggregate ceilings of expenditure on natural calamities during the ten years period ending 1988-89. The Tenth Finance Commission made the allocation for 1995-96 taking into account the average of aggregate of ceilings of expenditure for the years 1983-84 to 1989-90 and the amount of CRF for the years 1990-91 to 1992-93. This has also been adjusted for inflation. As such, the annual CRF allocation is adequate to take care of the requirement of relief and rehabilitation in the wake of natural calamities. In any case the allocation is fixed on the basis of the recommendations of the Tenth Finance Commission for the period upto 1999-2000 AD.

पटना और दिल्ली के बीच सुपरफास्ट गाड़ी

622. श्री नागमणि: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार जनता की मांग को देखते हुए पटना और दिल्ली के बीच एक सुपरफास्ट रेल गाड़ी चलाने पर विचार कर रही है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण है?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सतपाल महाराज): (क) जी हां।

(ख) यह विनिश्चय किया गया है कि 1996-97 के दौरान पटना से दिल्ली तक लखनऊ के रास्ते एक राजधानी एक्सप्रैस चलाई जाएगी।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Experimentation of Biological Toilets in Tamilnadu Express

623. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICKHAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an experiment of bilogical toilets was made in the Tamilnadu Express sometime during January-February this year;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of this experiment;

(c) whether.it is a fact that due to these toilets obnoxious and foul smell spread all over the train and make the journeys of passenger uncomfortable;

(d) whether any Member of Parliament has made complaints about it;

(e) what is the fate of these toilets now; and

(0 the persons responsible for the huge expenditure incurred on this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Bio-toilet has been developed to provide environment friendly toilet system in coaches. This is aimed at keeping the railway track clean by avoiding discharge of human waste from the toilets and provide clean environment at railway stations. These toilets work on the principle of biological decomposition of human waste matter by bacterial action into gas and water. The system consists of a tank, Filter beds, Exhaust out-let for the gas and provision for discharge of clear liquid on the track.